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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, CY, GR

SUBJECT: CONVERSATION WITH BITSIOS

REF: A) JERUSALEM 0257 (SECTO 104) B) STATE 034969

DEPARTMENT PLEASE PASS TO THE SECRETARY

1. FOREIGN MINISTER BITSIOS CALLED ME THIS MORNING--AFTER BEING UP A GOOD PART OF THE NIGHT WITH CLERIDES AND THE VISITING CYPRIOT GROUP--TO APOLOGIZE FOR NOT BEING ABLE TO SEE ME YESTEDAY AFTERNOON OR EVENING AS I HAD REQUESTED. HE EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR THE COPIES OF THE SECRETARY'S AND DEPARTMENT'S STATEMENTS WHICH I HAD SENT TO HIM YESTERDAY MORNING (REFTEL A) AND AGREED THAT THEY PUT US ON THE RECORD AS BEING CLEARLY AGAINST DENKTASH'S UNILATERAL ACTION. CONTRARY TO THE GREEK AMBASSADOR'S COMPLAINT TO HARTMAN IN WASHINGTON (REF B)--OR MAYBE AS A RESULT OF HARTMAN'S REACTION--BITSIOS CHARACTERIZED THE STATEMENTS AS "MOST CONSTRUCTIVE."

2. BITSIOS ASKED ME TO PASS TO THE SECRETARY HIS "VERY DEEP REGRETS" AT NOT BEING ABLE TO MEET WITH HIM  
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TOMORROW IN BONN. BITSIOS SAID THE "ONLY" REASON WAS

THAT HE SIMPLY HAD TO REMAIN IN ATHENS AT THIS TIME. HE  
SAID HE THOUGHT SUCH A MEETING WOULD HAVE BEEN EXTREMELY  
USEFUL.

3. AS FOR HIS MEETING WITH CLERIDES AND THE CYPRIOT  
GROUP, HE SAID THEY WOULD BE CONTINUING TODAY. BITSIOS  
SAID THE GREEKS HAVE NOT YET MADE A FINAL DECISION AS TO  
WHO WILL GO TO NEW YORK FOR THE UNSC MEETING BUT THAT HE  
DID NOT EXPECT TO GO HIMSELF ALTHOUGH CLERIDES ALMOST  
CERTAINLY WOULD--PROBABLY TOMORROW (SUNDAY).  
BITSIOS INDICATED THAT THEY HAVE NOT YET MADE FINAL  
DECISIONS ABOUT HOW THEY ARE GOING TO PROCEED IN NEW YORK  
BUT WOULD PROBABLY BE DOING SO TODAY.  
KUBISCH

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